

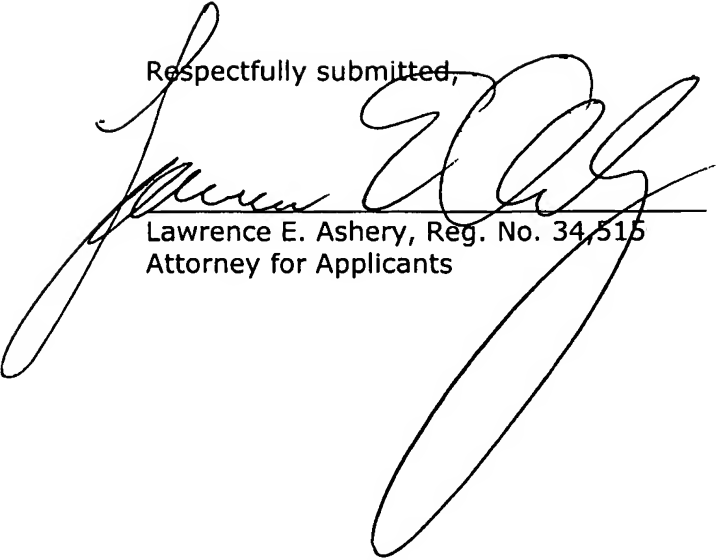
Amendment to the Abstract:

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

ABSTRACT

~~The object of the invention is to provide a digital image pickup device that executes a process for applying browse restriction to a photographed digital image. To achieve the object, the A digital image pickup device according to the invention is provided with an input unit that inputs a photographed digital image, a predetermined information detector that detects predetermined information, a predetermined information embedding unit that embeds the detected predetermined information in the digital image and a browse restriction applying unit that executes a process for applying browse restriction to the digital image in which the predetermined information is embedded. When the digital image is browsed, browse restriction information analyzed based upon the predetermined information is acquired, a digital image photographed on a condition that browse restriction is applied is displayed in a state in which browse restriction is not released, in the meantime, the browse restriction of a digital image photographed on a condition that no browse restriction is applied is released by executing a process for releasing browse restriction according to the browse restriction information, and the photographed digital image is displayed.~~

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A digital image pickup device is provided with an input unit that inputs a photographed digital image, a predetermined information detector that detects predetermined information, a predetermined information embedding unit that embeds the detected predetermined information in the digital image and a browse restriction applying unit that executes a process for applying browse restriction to the digital image in which the predetermined information is embedded.